Bosnia and Herzegovina: How Friendly is Business Friendly?



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Project Summary	This VSFS project will highlight key cities in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) as potential destinations for investment and trade expansion. The intern will work with Embassy Sarajevo's Economic/Commercial Officer to produce interactive maps, graphs, & other data products on business-friendly cities.
Country	Bosnia-Herzegovina
Agency	Department of State
DoS Office	N/A
Post	SARAJEVO
Section	ECON
Number of Interns	1

Project Description

While BiH has great potential to be a highly competitive economy in southeast Europe, the World Bank's Doing Business Report consistently rates it as one of the least business friendly countries in the Western Balkan region. According to the World Bank, corruption, complicated government structures, bureaucratic red tape, and costly, lengthy business registration procedures are among the chief barriers to a better business climate. Although the country's overall business climate is challenging, a number of Bosnian cities stand out for their business-friendly and customer-oriented commercial environments. The Virtual Intern will work with Embassy Sarajevo's Economic/Commercial Officer to compile information on business-friendly municipalities in BiH and produce interactive maps, graphs, and other data products to highlight these cities as potential destinations for investment and trade expansion. The project will source extensive international community research on this subject.

Desired Skills Interests

Additional Information

For more information, please visit -

Business Excellence Area (BEAR) BiH: http://www.bear.ba/

Factsheet on Business Friendly Municipalities of Southeast Europe: http://bfc-see.org/htdocs/documents/BFC-ENG-brosura.pdf

Factsheet on GIZ Business Friendly Certifications: https://www.giz.de/expertise/downloads/giz2016-en-business-certification.pdf

Language Requirements

Language Speaking Proficiency Reading Proficiency Importance

Serbo-Croatian Elementary proficiency Elementary proficiency Nice to Have